

ESM Table 1 Overview of all variables included in the imputation process

Variables used in subsequent regression analyses^a

All ten individual baseline (M₀) EDS items (5 response categories)
All ten individual follow-up 1 (M₁) EDS items (5 response categories)
All ten individual follow-up 2 (M₂) EDS items (5 response categories)
Sex (men vs women)
Age (continuous)
Educational level (middle/high vs low educational level)
Marital status (having a partner vs being single)
Myocardial infarction (no vs yes)
Bypass/angioplasty (no vs yes)
Stroke (no vs yes)
Arterial disease (no vs yes)
Results of fundus screening (normal vs retinopathy)
Albuminuria (continuous)
History of kidney disease (no vs yes)
Asthma/COPD (no vs yes)
Cancer (no vs yes)
Arthrosis (no vs yes)
Rheumatoid arthritis (no vs yes)
Stressful life event(s) in past year (no vs yes)
History of depression (no vs yes)

Auxiliary variables^b

Ethnicity (white vs non-white)
Hyperglycaemia treatment (6 response categories)
Diabetes duration (< 3 yrs vs ≥ 3 yrs)
HbA_{1c} (continuous)
BMI (continuous)

^a For the subsequent regression analyses, several imputed variables are redefined into summary or composite variables (see main manuscript text); ^b Variables not used in subsequent analyses, but used to improve imputations